



City Council Meeting
6:00 p.m., Monday, April 15, 2024
Conference Room
23600 Liberty Street
Farmington, MI 48335

FINAL

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on April 15, 2024, at 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, MI. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976.

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM by Mayor LaRussa.

1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Johnna Balk	Mayor Pro-Tem	Present	
Joe LaRussa	Mayor	Present	
Kevin Parkins	Councilmember	Present	
Steve Schneemann	Councilmember	Absent	
Maria Taylor	Councilmember	Present	

City Administration Present

City Manager David Murphy
City Clerk Meaghan Bachman
Finance Director Chris Weber
Public Safety Director Bob Houhanisin
City Attorney Tom Schultz

2. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

Move to approve the agenda as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public spoke.

4. CLOSED SESSION: PENDING LITIGATION – CRAWFORD VS. CITY OF FARMINGTON

Move to convene into closed session to discuss pending litigation – Crawford vs. City of Farmington

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember
AYES:	Balk, LaRussa, Parkins, Taylor

Move to reconvene into the regular city council meeting at 6:27 p.m.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Taylor, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem

VOTE ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM:

Move to approve the recommendation of the City Attorney in the litigation of Crawford vs. the City of Farmington

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Taylor, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Parkins, Councilmember
AYES:	LaRussa, Parkins, Taylor, Balk

5. INTRODUCTION (FIRST READING) - OF ORDINANCES TO ALLOW THE USE OF ALCOHOL AT CERTAIN PUBLIC FACILITIES

Consideration to introduce Ordinance No. C-811-2024, amending Chapter 3, “Alcoholic Liquor,” of the City of Farmington Code of Ordinances, to change the definition of “public place,” in order to allow the use of alcohol at certain public facilities if a resolution of City Council is adopted and to prohibit the use at other public facilities, and Ordinance No. C812-2024, amending Chapter 21, “Parks and Recreation,” of the City of Farmington Code of Ordinances, to prohibit alcohol consumption in parks except where authorized by City Council Resolution.

Move to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance No. C-811-2024 and Ordinance No. C812-2024.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Taylor, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem
AYES:	Parkins, Taylor, Balk, LaRussa

6. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was heard.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No members of the public spoke.

8. COUNCIL COMMENTS

No members of the Council spoke.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Move to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Joe LaRussa, Mayor

Meaghan K. Bachman, City Clerk

Approval Date: